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pyrus on the banks of the Nile.

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HOW IT WAS DONE. Marien, Va., Dec. 18.—Special.—W. G. Baldwin, the Norfolk and Western detective, placed Del Hunley, a negro about 20 years of age, in jail at this place yesterday charged with robbing the depot at this point. On the night of November 15, the ticket office of the Norfolk and Wastern was broken into and the ticket. ber 15, the ticket office of the Norfolk and Western was broken into and the ticket case rifled. The matter was kept very quiet and the case placed in the hands of Detective Baldwin. About the 17th "a new coon" came to town. He was well dressed at d got in with the colored population, drank whiskey, played craps and made himself very popular. After spending several weeks he and Del Hunley took a trip to Bristel. Hundley got confidential and told him all about the robbery. About this time Mr. Baldwin came to Brstol and Hundley was invited out to see some colored friend. He talked freely, telling all about the robbery, how he got in, what he got, etc. That night he was arrested and locked up. It now turns out that Mr. Baldwin and several other gen themen were in an adjoining room while he was adoing the talking and heard work and the series while he was adoing the talking and heard work and the series was along the talking and heard work and the series was along the talking and heard work and the series was a series and locked up. It now turns out that Mr. Baldwin and several other gen tlemen were in an adjoining room while he was doing the talking and heard every word he said. The case will be tried on Tuesday next. Quite a lot of threats were made by our town negroes against the negro detective but he didn't seem to scare much.

### THE WEATHER.

Forecast for Virginia: Generally fair and colder; northwest winds.

Examine the Virginia Carriage Factory's buggies before buying. Office No. 409 Henry street.

# HUSTLING FOR SPOILS.

### Virginia Republicans Lay Siege to the White House.

MANY "ORGANIZATION" REPUB-LICANS OF THE OLD DOMINION ARE NOW IN WASHINGTON LOOKING AFTER A DIVISION OF THE OFFICES-THE FAITHFUL ARE ANXIOUS FOR THEIR RE-

Washington, Dec. 18.—The Virginia office seekers, who were here in large numbers last week, hoping to get Presidential appointments, went home with the intention of returning Monday, the 20th. They were told by the committeemen and others who had access to Mr. McKinley that nothing could be done until next week. But these gentlesses who McKinley that nothing could be done until next week. But these gentlemen who are clamorous to serve the government could not wait. They came flocking to Washington yesterday morning, and by night they were much in evidence at the Johnson, the Ebritt and the Normandie. The afternoon train from Richmond brought Judge Waddill and Col. James D. Brady—the real leaders of the "organization" Republicans in the Old Dominion. minion.

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When asked if they intended to call on the President yesterday, they replied that they did not. But their office-seeking friends are urging them not to delay, but go at once and try to have patronage matters disposed of. Judge Waddill and the other members of the executive committee, except Congressman James A. Walker, are still backing Mr. S. Brown Allen for the marshalship in the Western district, while Congressmen Walker and Yost are pushing ex-Congressman Bowden's claims. There are many candidates for the district attorneyship in the Western district, the most prominent being W. C. Franklin, Col. J. Hampton Hoge, J. L. Gleaves and Col. D. F. Bailey. In the Eastern district Marshal Hundgin's term does not expire until next spring, and District Attorney White's term has three years to run. He was appointed as a gold Democrat by Mr. Cleveland vice Francis R. Lassiter, who was removed on account of making-himself offensive to the administration as a free silver Democrat.

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offensive to the administration as a free silver Democrat.

Senators Daniel and Martin and Representative Young, of the Twenty second district, called on Postmaster General Gary yesterday afternoon to ask him not to depart from the rule to allow postmasters to serve out their full term of four years in the cases of Postmaster Herbert, at Portsmouth, and Postmaster Booker, at Old Point. Mr. Gary received them most courteously, and said that he would do nothing in these cases until he bad given them careful consideration. It had been rumored that Mr. Burroughs would be appointed to succeed Mr. Herbert, and Mr. Kimberly to succeed Mr. Booker, within the next week or two. Mr. Booker admitted to the postmaster general, it is said, that he dil not give the office his personal supervision. But his sister, Mrs. Jones, runs the office in a highly satisfactory manner. She is an applicant for the appointment to her brother's place, whenever a change is to be made, and she is indorsed by the officers of the Fort and by Maj. Gen. Miles, it is said. Booker's four years will not be out until about the middle of December, 1808.

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The large box of Mannfacturers Sam-ples of Overcoats and Suits which has been so long coming has been found and delivered to us and in order to sell same quick have greatly reduced in prices. R. SCHILLER, 28 Salem vaenue.

### A PECULIAR ACCIDENT.

Des Moines, In., Dec. 18.-A passenger Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 18.—A passenger train on the Northwestern railroad met with a peculiar accident to-day at Vail, this State. When the mail was thrown out the pouch struck and misplaced the switch, overturning seven coaches. The wrecked cars took fire, but the department succeeded in quenching the flames before much demand was done. before much damage was done. Twenty-five persons were injured, but none were killed, though two will probably die. It was first reported here that twenty were killed.

NO SUPERNUMERARIES.

Washington, Dec. 18.—In response to a resolution introduced by Senator Allen, of Nebraska, the Secretary of the Treasury to day reported to the Senate that there were no supernumerary employes in the Treasury and that no employes had been retired upon pay, except members of the revenue cutter service, who have been retired under the law.

FAILURE IN WHISKEY.
Owensboro, Ky., Dec. 18.—R. Monarch, for himself, the Glenmore Distilling Company and the Eagle Distilling Company, made an assignment to-day to the Columbia Finance and Trust Company, of Louisville. Assets and liabilities are each estimated to be \$750,000. Depression in the whiskey trade and inability to continue their loans was given as the cause of the failure. cause of the failure.

### DIED AT SEA.

New York, Dec. 18.—The steamship Lucania, which arrived this afternoon, reports a very stormy passage. One of the passengers, Rev. Mr. Day, died dur ing the voyage across. Among the arrivals was Mrs. Pierre Lorillard, Jr. The steamship Paris arrived this afternoon and also reported a rough passage.

Holiday goods in erdless variety at the E. H. Stewart Furniture Company.

DON'T BE MISLED. There is but one Manufacturers Sam-e Suit and Overcoat Sale and that is at SCHILLER'S, 28 Salem avenue.

RED SUGAR just received at J. J. CATOGNI'S.

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# Christmas Gifts.

The most exquisite selections of Pictures ever shown in this section.

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Mail orders receive prompt attention.

10 Campbell Avenue

### AUTONOMY A SHAM.

# thrown by the Cortes.

Havana, Dec. 18, via Key West.-Gen. Blauco has declared that if within a reasonable time after the establishment of autonomy in Cuba it is clearly seen that it has no practical effect in the restoration of peace, he will tenuer his resigna-tion to the central government, and re-turn to Spain. The captain-general and the leaders of the autonomist and reform-ist parties are very busy just now over the decree of autonomy which has just arrived from Spain.

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It is believed that simultaneously with the publication of the decree the captain general will issue a proclamation inviting the insurgents to surrender in view of the concessions made by Spain, to the island. How little confidence may be had in this new autonomy is clear from the following paragraphs of the introduction to the decree signed by the prime minister. Senor Signsta, and now at the office of the captain general.

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"The government frankly confesses that for the most successful result of its plans it would be better to have this decree previously discussed in parliament and judged by public opinion and the press, but it is not its fault, as it was not the fault of the precedent government, if the pressure of the hard circumstances now existing compels it to do without such a valuable guarantee. But if the party which is now in power did not hesitate when in the opposition to support the conservative party and vote in favor of its decisions, now that circumstances are more hard still and overburden us we have a right to hope that public opinion will back us and that parliament will approve our conduct."

There is no possible misunderstanding these words. The autonomy now granted to Cuba is merely an act of the liberal party—of Senor Sagasta—not a law of the Spanish nation. Parliament has still a right to amend it, and that the Sagasta party is afraid of the act on of the conservatives in the Cortes is proved by the language of the prime minister in en deavoring to obligate the conservatives by recalling that the liberals supported them in the decrees issued by Canovas without previous parliamentary consent.

Senor Santas Gazman, a well-known leader of the conservatives in Havana, is of the opinion that the step can be taken by the Sagasta government in passing over the Cortes to modify so radically the constitution of Cuba is too reckless to have any enduring character. The same views are enterlined by all sensible persons here, and the autonomy.

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that stamp of feebleness set in its very introduction by Senor Sagasta, has not aroused much enthusiasm.

Trouble is feared in Havana from the conservatives. Many efforts have been made by partisans of the new regime to obtain an understanding between the conservatives and the government, and persuade the former to issue a manifesto in their assembly of December 20, accepting autonomy. It is said that the Marquis of Apez Tegula is ready to advise the isof Apez Tegula is ready to advise the is-suing of the manifesto, but the attitude of the large majority of his party is un-compromising agrinst the decree. It all depend on what the attitude of the conservatives in Spain shall be, and it is well known that until now they have been very much influenced by the views of Romero, Robledo and Weyler.

ATTENTION TO CLOTHING BUYERS The sizes of the manufacturers samples Che sizes of the manufacturers samples Suits and Overcoats are getting somewhat scarce. If you intend getting one you must be quick about it. SCHILLER, 28 Salem avenue.

### FOUND DEAD IN BED.

### Sagasta's Decree May be Over- Sudden Death of a Well-Known Roanoke Citizen.

J. B. Hollman, a well-known resident or this city, died very suddenly Friday in his room in the old Southern Hotel building of Railroad avenue He had been complaining all day of pains in the chest and

plaining all day of pains in the chest and stomach, but otherwise seemed to be enjoying the best of health. He was seen by several of his friends on the street and was joking and 'lauguing with some of them, but all of them noticed and remarked upon how badly he was looking. Between 2 and 3 o'clock in the afternoon he went to the room of a Mrs. Haymaker, who boards on the same floor, and asked her if she would give him something to make him vomit, and she gave him a glass of hot salt water, which did not do him any good, so he went back to his room.

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A Times reporter in an interview with Mrs. Haymaker learned the acove facts and the lady also said that as far as she knew he had not left his room after that. Yesterday morning when the colored woman who cleans up his room went in the room to her work she was very much startled to see the old man lying there on the bed cold in death. He was 'lying on the gdge of the bed with his feet on the floor and partly undressed and the general supposition is that he died while in the act of undressing. The colored woman immediately sent a boy out to tell an officer and the boy seeing Officer Griffin told him and he notified Magnitrate Van Tallaferro, as Coroner Lewis was out of the city.

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The magistrate viewed the remains and Dr. S. S. Guerrant, who was called in, made an examination and said that the death was due to natural causes and the magistrate decided that, with what facts he had, an inquest would be unnecessary. A search of his clothes and room showed that nothing as far as known had leen taken, as some loose change and a bunch of keys were found in his pocket.

The remains were left in charge of the police and Officer Griffin telegraphed his son, who lives in Norfolk, and also informed his niece in Salem and his nephew who lives in this city.

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Mr. Hollman was well and favorably known, having lived here several years and had for many years tollowed the calling of an auctioneer. He was one of the best humored men in our city and was never happier than when telling a good joke. When not talking to any one he was renerally found singing some little ditty and his favorite was 'Let the Wicked World Wag Along.' During his life Mr. Hollman had heid many positions of honor and trust and was at one time very well-to-do. He was at one time a representative to the State legislature from Norfolk county and had also been superintendent of the Norfolk navy yard and Norfolk county treasurer. At his de the was about 62 years of age.

The funeral arrangements will be deferred until the arrival of his son, who is expected in the city to-morrow. nan had held many positions

expected in the city to morrow.

IN THEIR USUAL DIGNIFIED WAY. The Hobbie Piano Company are selling pianos right along in their usual dignifled way, which years of experience incul-cate in the minds and habits of all true business men. They control the best class of trade in Virginia, by handling the highest grades of instruments, and ion ducting their affairs on true commercial methods, which appeal to the musical taste and business intelligence of all."

### FAIR WARNING TO ALL.

The great sale of manufacturers samples of Clothing will last for a few days only 1/2 SCHILLER, 28 Salem avenue.

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# THE LAST WEEK.

Don't put off buying your holiday presents any longer. If you have not found what you want anywhere else come to our store, and you will find the most appropriate and tasteful presents you could possibly make. Our window is full of them. We mean "Kodaks." To begin with, there's the \$4 "Eureka," which uses glass plates, takes 2\pmux3\pmu pictures and is just the thing for a lady or girl; next comes the \$5 Premo V, 3\pmux4\pmu pictures; then the \$5.60 No. 2 Falcon Kodeks, uses films and loads in daylight; No. 2 Bulls-Eye at \$8.60, No. 2 Builet at \$10.60, and last, but daintiest and bast of all, there's the "Folding Pocket Kodak," price \$10.40, takes pictures 24x34, and loads in daylight. A "Folding Pocket Kodak" for a Xmas gift would delight the heart of your "very best" girl.

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#### LUETGERT'S NEW DEFENSE.

# With an Englishman.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 18.—To cear Luetgert his attorneys will, in the trial now commenced, introduce a new line of defense. In maintaining the theory that Mrs. Luetgert is still alive, her acqua'nt ance with Robert Davey, an Englishman, with engaging manners, who is blamed by Luetgert for his business trombies, will be brought out in court, and the fact dwelt upon that Davey, who conducted the negotiations with Luetgert for the incorporation and enlargement of his business, was very polite to Mrs. Luetgert, paying her marked attention, and frequently, so it is said by close friends of Luetgert, spending almost the entireday with her in the house from which the State maintains her husband lured her to her death in the basement of the adjoining sausage factory.

Davey left Chicago last January, ostensibly to get the money for the sale of Luetgert's sausage manufactory to a Dutch syndicate Mrs Luetgert disappeared on the night of May 1. Whether the two corresponded in the meantime cannot be learned, but that the pair were greatly interested in each other will be alleged, and upon this line the accused will base his defense.

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The man who will take the place of Henry Boasberg, dismissed yesterday occause he is alleged to have remarked that it would please him to place a rope around the Lake View sausage maker's neck, is Robert Anners.

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Anners is a shoemaker, forty-five years old. Three consultations were held before Anners was chosen. At the end of the last one it was announced by the lawyers that they would like further time to make up their minds. Judge Gary refused, saying: "You've consumed too much time in this case already."

Without further parley the man was accepted by both sides.

### TRYING TO KNIFE HANNA.

### Conference of Opposition Men Men Taking Office Must Abstain Called by Charles Kurtz.

Cleveland, Dec. 18—Senator-elect Vernon H. Burke and Representative Frederick Bramley, Harry Mason and Clifford left Cleveland at 4 p. m. to-day for Columbus, called there by telegraph messages, received from the State capital last night. These telegrams were sent out by ex-State Chairman Charles Kurtz. The Cleveland Fonker leaders go there for the purpose of holding a conference with Kurtz and the other anti-Hanna members of the general assembly, at which the definite plan the anti-Hanna men will pursue in the battle against

men will pursue in the battle against Senator Hanna will be mapped out. The fact that Clinord, who is the col-ored member from Cuyahoga county, joins in the conference was the first ink-

ling that the public has had that he would ing that the public has had that he would not vote for Hanna. While a member of the McKisson faction he was on the Hanna slate at the Republican primaries, and has along been counted on to vote for Hanna. Even the Hanna managers here express themselves as all at sea because of Clifford's action, but still claim that he will vote for Hanna.

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Burke, Bramley and Mason are the three members-elect who were bitterly opposed at the primaries by Hanna. A leader of the Foraker faction here who has close business relations with the members of the Dreibund, as Bramley, Burke and Mason have come to be dubbed locally, and to day that a service of the primary and to day that the content of the primary and to day that the content of the primary and to day that the content of the primary and to day that the primary are the primary and to day that the primary are the primary and to day that the primary are the primary and to day that the primary are the primary and to day that the primary are the primary and to day that the primary are the primary and to day the primary are the primary and the primary and the primary and the primary are the primary and the primar locally, said to-day that an arrangement bad already been made with the Demo-crats for the election of another than Hanna, and that the most powerful argu-ment imaginable had been used exten-sively to bring about this condition.

CONSIDER THIS BARGAIN CARE-

The fine upright mahogany Lindeman piano sold to G. Graham Anderson for \$450, upon which he paid \$130, can be bought of the Hobbie Plano Company for \$490, thou which he paid \$400, can be bought of the Hobbie Plano Company for the Falance due of \$320, on payments of \$10 per month without interest. This bargain is self evident.



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### JUDGES ELECTED.

### Will Try to Prove His Wife Eloped Wearers of the Ermine Decided Upon by the Legislature.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 18.-The legislature elected the following county judges to-day:

Bedford, Calloway Brown. Botetourt, G. W. Breckenridge. Floyd, W. L. Howard. Grayson, J. C. Padgett. Tazewell, J. H. Stewart.

Alleghany, Bath and Craig, George K. Anderson. Bland and Giles, Bernard Mason. Buchanan and Dickenson, Alexander

Henry, George L. Dillard. Montgomery, Walter M. Pierce. Pulaski, Seldon Longley.

Ronnoke, Mr. Moffit. Russell, W. A. Ayres. Radford city, George J. Cassell. The senate refused to confirm Governor O'Ferrall's appointments to the board of

visitors to the Blacksburg Polytechnic Institute for a term of four years, beginning January next. O'Ferrall appointed the board four years ago to serve during his term, and he now asks the senate to confirm his appointees to serve during Gov. Tyler's term.

Senator Le Cato introduced a bid requiring citizens to pay a capitation tax before being allowed to vote The delinquent capitation tas for 1896 was \$123,-000, of which \$63,000 was for white and \$60,000 for colored voters.

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## VANWYCK'S POLICY STATED.

# From Private Business.

Lakewood, N. J., Dec. 18.—Mayor-elect Van Wyck, for the first time since his election, talked for publication this evening regarding the policy of his new administration. He took occasion to deny a story that he was going to allow his name to be used by a law firm practicing in New York city after he had assumed office, on January 1.

"As it will be with me, so must it be with the gentlemen assigned to the various departments by appointment from me as the representative of the people,

ous departments by appointment from me as the representative of the people, and so must they give their entire time and attention to the administration of the affairs of their respective depart-ments.

ments.
"When they receive their appointments they must realize that they will be called upon to refrain from active participation in their respective private enterprises. There is no other way to have a city government properly administered.

ernment properly administered.

'No one will be appointed until he agrees to conform to these requirements.

As it is with the heads of departments, so will it be with the deputies and subordinates. This rule will prevail at all costs, and no drones or any body who cannot give his whole time to his official duties will be tolerated."

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